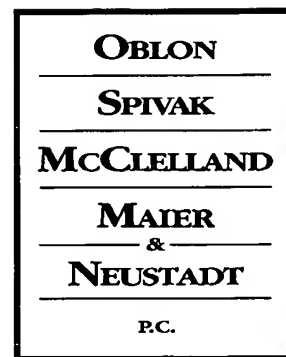




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Applicants: Ryota KATSUMATA, et al.

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF
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Group Art Unit: 2811

Examiner: TRAN, T.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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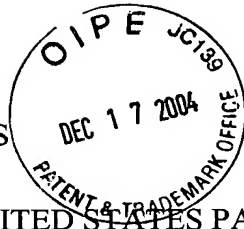
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In response to the Election Requirement dated November 30, 2004, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-7, drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 344 for further examination on the merits. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected invention.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1-7 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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